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Examining Group 1647

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : David C. Rueger, et al.  
Serial No. : 08/822,186  
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Title : IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND METHODS  
OF USE THEREOF FOR REPAIR OF  
ENDOCHONDRAL BONE AND OSTEOCHONDRAL  
DEFECTS  
Group Art Unit : 1647  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed April 10, 2000 in which the rejection of claims 1-25, 31-33, 35 and 36 was made final.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection is requested. A check in the amount of \$445.00 in payment of the extension fee is transmitted herewith.

A check in the amount of \$155.00 in payment of the appeal fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Notice of Appeal is enclosed.

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